

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0018] (beginning immediately below the heading "Detailed Description"), with the following paragraph amended as follows:

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FIG. [11] 4 illustrates scaffolding 10 constructed in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the present invention and configured for elevating a worker (not shown) above a floor or ground surface (not shown). The illustrated scaffolding 10 is a mobile (e.g., rollable) and portable (e.g., dimensioned and configured to be lightweight and quickly and easily disassembled for compact storage and transport) scaffolding. However, the principles of the present invention are not limited to this scaffolding configuration and equally apply to virtually any type of scaffolding so long as the scaffolding utilizes some type of walkboard supported by ledgers to elevate a worker. The illustrated scaffolding 10 broadly includes a pair of ladder frames 12 and 14, cross bracing 16 coupling the frames 12,14 together, and a plurality of walkboards 18, 20, and 22 (see FIGS. 4 and 6) removably supported between the frames 12,14.

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The frame 12 is a mobile scaffolding frame and includes the previously indicated casters 48,50. The casters 48,50 are virtually identically configured and therefore only the caster 48 will be described in detail with the understanding that the caster 50 is similarly constructed. The caster 48 is swivelly received in the open lower end of the post 24 of the frame 12. In one manner known in the art, the caster 48 includes a caster housing 90, a stub shaft 92 swivelly coupled to the housing 90, a wheel 94 rollably supported in the housing 90, and a foot brake 96 operable to selectively prevent the wheel 94 from rolling. The caster housing 90 supports the post 24 on the wheel 94. The stub shaft 92 is removably received in the open lower end of the post 24 and is configured to be locked in the post 24. For example, the illustrated shaft 92 includes an aperture (not shown) that aligns with apertures formed in the lower end of the post 24. In this manner, a retaining pin 98 can be inserted through the post 24 and the stub shaft 92 to retain the shaft in the lower end of the post 24. The stub shaft 92 includes a bearing ring formed in its lower end that carries a bearing (not shown) to allow the caster housing 90 and thus the wheel 94 to swivel relative to the stub shaft 92 while still supporting the weight of the frame 12. The foot brake 96 can be

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pivoted into and out of a locking position (not shown) wherein the brake 96 communicates with the wheel 94 to prevent the wheel 94 from rolling. It is within the ambit of the present invention to utilize various alternatively configured means for providing mobility to the scaffolding 10 that can be selectively prevented. One such suitable alternative is the braking system disclosed in pending application for U.S. Letters Patent Serial No. [[_____,]] 10/271,634, filed October 15, 2002, entitled MOBILE SCAFFOLDING BRAKE (sharing a common inventor with the present application), which is hereby incorporated by reference herein as is necessary for a full and complete understanding of the present invention.
